

REMARKS

Prosecution in the instant application was closed by a Notice of Allowance mailed on June 3, 2003; claims 1-13 and 15-20 have been allowed. A Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is being filed herewith so that the specification can be amended to include a reference to the related International Application.

This Amendment inserts the reference to International application PCT/AU99/00036 required by 37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(2). A copy of the Official Filing Receipt, indicating the priority information, is attached. The Examiner is respectfully requested to indicate receipt of the relevant priority documents from the International Bureau.

Please charge the fee of \$710.00 for filing a Request for Continued Examination under Rule 1.17(e), to the Deposit Account No. 08-2336. For this reason, this Petition is submitted in duplicate. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the Deposit Account No. 08-2336.

Respectfully submitted,

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